(c) Number of students selected from Karnataka out of the total—

Year	Basic Science	Engineering	Medicine
2000-2001	9 out of 83 12	0 out of 5 0	0 out of 4 1 out of 8
2001-2002	out of 86	out of 4	

Steel plant in Bihar

†5515. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposed to set up any steel plant in Bihar;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJ KISHORE TRIPATHY): (a) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government at present to set up a steel plant in Bihar.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Indian Steel Industry is passing through a difficult phase due to adverse conditions in the domestic and international steel markets. Some of the factors contributing to the present adverse conditions are excess supply and low demand for steel in the domestic market; import of steel at low prices; falling steel prices and higher production costs. In this scenario, setting up of new steel plants will not be a viable proposition.

Institute for Adventurous Sports

†5516.SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up a National Adventure Sports Institute, to promote adventurous sports;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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